

What is claimed is:

1 1(currently amended). A support for a detachable shower head,
2 comprising:
3 a mounting fixture for installing the support for the shower head so as to
4 place the support for the shower head at a fixed location,
5 a wall-mounting arm jutting out of the mounting fixture along a
6 longitudinal axis,
7 a shower head coupled to a water supply by a shower hose, and a
8 holder for the shower head by which the shower head is detachably attachable
9 to the wall-mounting arm, in a vicinity of an end thereof that is opposite from
10 an end of the wall mounting arm pivoted to the mounting fixture,
11 wherein the wall-mounting arm comprises a length of stock pivoted at a
12 near end of the length of stock on the mounting fixture about a pivot axis that
13 is parallel to a surface of a wall on which the support is to be fixed, and pivoted
14 in a vicinity of a far end of the length of stock to the holder on a pivot axis that
15 is parallel to the pivot axis at which the wall-mounting arm is pivoted on the
16 mounting fixture, ~~whereby said pivot axes are parallel and at a fixed spacing~~
17 ~~during pivoting of the holder on the wall-mounting arm and pivoting of the wall-~~
18 ~~mounting arm on the mounting fixture;~~
19 wherein the wall-mounting arm is configured to form a fork, at
20 least in the vicinity of its far end from the mounting fixture; and,
21 wherein the shower head is configured to spray water supplied by the
22 shower hose, and remains functional following withdrawal of the shower head
23 from the holder.

2(canceled).

1 3(previously presented). A shower support according to claim 1,
2 wherein a pivot axis of the holder for the shower head is approximately
3 orthogonal to a longitudinal axis of the wall-mounting arm.

4(canceled).

1 5(previously presented). A shower support according to claim 1,
2 wherein the wall-mounting arm pivots on the mounting fixture about an axis in
3 a horizontal plane.

6(canceled).

1 7(previously presented). A shower support according to claim 1,
2 wherein a maximum pivot angle of the holder for the shower head, relative to
3 the wall-mounting arm, at least equals a maximum pivot angle of the wall-
4 mounting arm, relative to the mounting fixture.

8(canceled).

1 9(currently amended). A shower support according to claim 1 ~~8~~,
2 wherein the holder for the shower head is arranged between tines of the fork.

10(canceled).

1 11(previously presented). A shower support according to claim 1,
2 wherein a pivot axis of the holder for the shower head intersects a housing of
3 the shower head near a centroid thereof.

1 12(previously presented). A shower support according to claim 1,
2 wherein the holder for the shower head is configured to engage a location on
3 a housing of the shower head provided for holding it that is not recognizable
4 as such and acts by means of an interference fit in a withdrawal/insertion
5 direction.

1 13(previously presented). A shower support according to claim 12,
2 wherein the holder is configured to engage a location on the housing of the
3 shower head provided for holding it that is not recognizable as such, based on
4 its shape at that location.

1 14(previously presented). A shower support according to claim 12,
2 wherein the holder is configured to engage an outer perimeter of the shower
3 head.

15(canceled).

1 16(previously presented). A shower support according to claim 1,
2 wherein the holder, together with the shower head inserted therein, is
3 pivotable about an axis orthogonal to a longitudinal axis of the arm.

1 17(previously presented). A shower support according to claim 1,
2 wherein the arm is pivotable about a horizontal axis situated in a vicinity of that
3 end thereof that is coordinated to the mounting fixture.

1 18(currently amended). **A support and a detachable shower**
2 **head, comprising: A shower support according to claim 1,**
3 **a mounting fixture for installing the support for the shower head**
4 **so as to place the support for the shower head at a fixed location,**
5 **a wall-mounting arm jutting out of the mounting fixture along a**
6 **longitudinal axis,**
7 **a shower head having a handgrip and a housing, coupled to a**
8 **water supply by a shower hose, and a holder for the shower head by**
9 **which the shower head is detachably attachable to the wall-mounting**
10 **arm, in a vicinity of an end thereof that is opposite from an end of the**
11 **wall mounting arm pivoted to the mounting fixture,**

12 wherein the wall-mounting arm comprises a length of stock
13 pivoted at a near end of the length of stock on the mounting fixture
14 about a pivot axis that is parallel to a surface of a wall on which the
15 support is to be fixed, and pivoted in a vicinity of a far end of the length
16 of stock to the holder on a pivot axis that is parallel to the pivot axis at
17 which the wall-mounting arm is pivoted on the mounting fixture,

18 wherein the holder for the shower head has at least two **opposed** jaws
19 ~~for engaging~~ **configured to engage across the** ~~a~~ housing of the shower
20 head, **and,**

21 wherein the shower head is configured to spray water supplied by
22 the shower hose, and remains functional following withdrawal of the
23 shower head from the holder.

1 19(previously presented). A shower support according to claim 1,
2 wherein the holder engages the shower head at two locations on its surface
3 that are situated approximately opposite one another.

1 20(previously presented). A shower support according to claim 1,
2 wherein the holder for the shower head engages a housing of the shower
3 head at two diametrically opposed locations thereon.

1 21(previously presented). A shower support according to claim 18,
2 wherein the jaws are tensioned toward one another while the shower head is
3 inserted.

1 22(currently amended). **A support for a detachable shower head,**
2 **comprising: A shower support according to claim 21,**
3 **a mounting fixture for installing the support for the shower head**
4 **so as to place the support for the shower head at a fixed location,**
5 **a wall-mounting arm jutting out of the mounting fixture along a**
6 **longitudinal axis,**

7 a shower head coupled to a water supply by a shower hose, and a
8 holder for the shower head by which the shower head is detachably
9 attachable to the wall-mounting arm, in a vicinity of an end thereof that is
10 opposite from an end of the wall mounting arm pivoted to the mounting
11 fixture,

12 wherein the wall-mounting arm comprises a length of stock
13 pivoted at a near end of the length of stock on the mounting fixture
14 about a pivot axis that is parallel to a surface of a wall on which the
15 support is to be fixed, and pivoted in a vicinity of a far end of the length
16 of stock to the holder on a pivot axis that is parallel to the pivot axis at
17 which the wall-mounting arm is pivoted on the mounting fixture;

18 wherein the holder for the shower head has at least two jaws for
19 engaging a housing of the shower head;

20 wherein the jaws are tensioned toward one another while the
21 shower head is inserted

22 wherein the two jaws on the holder for the shower head are joined
23 together by a tensioning component; and,

24 wherein the shower head is configured to spray water supplied by
25 the shower hose, and remains functional following withdrawal of the
26 shower head from the holder.

1 23(previously presented). A shower support according to claim 22,
2 wherein the tensioning component is configured such that contact between it
3 and a housing of the shower head takes place over an extended area.

1 24(previously presented). A shower support according to claim 22,
2 wherein the tensioning component is configured such that a gap between it
3 and a housing of the shower head occurs at at least one location.

1 25(previously presented). A shower support according to claim 1,
2 wherein the arm is configured in a form of a rod forming a continuous unit out
3 to its far end, on whose far end the holder for the shower head is arranged.

1 26(previously presented). A shower support according to claim 1,
2 wherein the shower head is configured in a form of a hand-held shower head
3 having a grip attached to its housing.

1 27(previously presented). A shower support according to claim 1,
2 wherein the shower head comprises a disk-shaped housing.

1 28(previously presented). A shower support according to claim 1,
2 wherein a hose leading to the shower head is connected to the mounting
3 fixture.

1 29(previously presented). A shower support according to claim 22,
2 wherein the tensioning component is configured to permit grasping of the arm
3 while the shower head is detached.

1 30(previously presented). A shower support according to claim 1,
2 wherein the axis about which the holder may be rotated intersects the shower
3 head near a centroid of the shower head.

1 31(previously presented). A shower support according to claim 24,
2 wherein the tensioning component is configured such that it does not contact a
3 housing of the shower head at any location thereon.

1 32(previously presented). A shower support according to claim 25,
2 wherein the rod is curved.